



MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
Medicaid Pharmacy Program

# ADVISORY

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## **Brand Suboxone® Film is Preferred on the Maryland Medicaid Preferred Drug List (PDL)**

**The Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program (MMPP) wants to alert you effective Monday, February 25, 2019, all strengths of brand Suboxone® Film are preferred over its generic equivalent (buprenorphine and naloxone film)\*. Claims for brand Suboxone® Film must be submitted with DAW 6 code and will be priced appropriately. A MDH Medwatch form will not be required. Claims with any other DAW code will reject.**

\*Please note that this advisory replaces Advisory No. 186, dated June 28, 2018 (Suboxone® Film and its generic (buprenorphine and naloxone) are Preferred on the Maryland Medicaid Preferred Drug List).

If any problems are encountered during the online claim adjudication, contact Conduent's 24-hour Help Desk at 800-932-3918 for additional system overrides related to the use of the correct DAW code (for example, if there is other primary insurance).

Please refer to our website for a complete list of the PDL at the following link:

<https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/pap/pages/Preferred-Drug-List.aspx>

The PDL is also available on your desktop computer by accessing Formulary Navigator™ at <http://www.mmppi.com>

In an effort to give timely notice to the pharmacy community concerning important pharmacy topics, the Maryland Department of Health (MDH), **Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program (MMPP)** has developed the **Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program Advisory**.

To expedite information timely to the pharmacy and prescriber communities, an email network has been established which incorporates the email lists of the Maryland Pharmacists Association, EPIC, CARE, Long Term Care Consultants, headquarters of all chain drugstores and prescriber associations and organizations.

It is our hope that the information is disseminated to all interested parties. If you have not received this email through any of the previously noted parties or via MDH, please contact the MMPP representative at 410-767-1455.